



Eleventh Meeting of the Waigani Convention

Eleventh Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention to Ban the Importation into Forum Island Countries of Hazardous and Radioactive Wastes and to Control the Transboundary Movement and the Management of Hazardous Wastes within the South Pacific Region (Waigani Convention)

Virtual – Apia, Samoa
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Agenda item 3: Adoption of the Provisional Agenda

Purpose of paper

1. To adopt the Provisional Agenda for the Eleventh Waigani Convention Conference of the Parties (WC COP-11) meeting.

Background

2. All previous COP meetings have taken place in person over 1 to 2 days where the Secretariat is given an opportunity to provide updates of work done and Parties also allocated time to provide updates on their implementation of the Waigani Convention as well as any difficulties faced.
3. The current travel restrictions forced upon countries by the global COVID 19 pandemic means WC COP -11 will not be held in person.
4. The Secretariat in consultation with current Chairs for the COP-10, STAC-7 and SCPRC-6 and in light of the current global COVID-19 Pandemic, decided that COP-11 would be held virtually over four hours to cater for the different time zones in the region.
5. The WC COP-11 Agenda is thus limited to procedural matters and 3 priority matters related to the implementation of the Convention.

Recommendation

6. The Parties are invited to:
 - 1) **discuss** the Provisional Agenda and make any amendments, where necessary; and
 - 2) **adopt** the Provisional Agenda attached as WP 3.1.